

ORGANIZATION

MEMO

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From: KIMBERLEY S KLEIN, 2020

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Re: GRANT PROPOSAL

This memo is on behalf of the Oconee Library system in Oconee County in the state of South Carolina. As our assignment this week needs us looking for grants geared towards our goals, I began first on Google and typed in the search engine to start searching for those grants tailored specifically for libraries. It took a while, but I feel I found the ones needed to help our cause. Oconee is a rural county and, therefore, has a difficult time getting Internet at a fast speed. There is an auspicious lack of programs for teen as well. Our team wants to change that by expanding on their services precisely focusing on the youth with a specific intention towards technology. I believe I found the grants we are looking for, if you would continue reading below.

The Loleta D. Fyan Grant is a HISTORICAL grant that gives an annual award of up to \$5,000 and the eligibility for it includes units of the American Library Association. This even encompasses either school libraries or individual organizations. The very first step of the guidelines even states that the grant “must result in the development and improvement of public libraries and the services they provide.” (Loleta D. Fyan Grant, 2020). This would be a perfect way to be able to develop on Oconee’s youth services and we could use the money to bolster the technological department of the library. Applications need to be sent to be in via email complete with a cover sheet and proposal it the subject line of “2013 Fyan Award Proposal”. (Loleta D. Fyan Grant, 2020). Best of all, it is approved by the ALA.

The Humanities Collections and Reference Resources seeks to strengthen efforts to maintain important collections within libraries and similar organizations like museums. It is very technologically based, so it should serve our purposes in expanding Oconee’s social media and Internet presence. The maximum award amount is \$350,000 – more than enough coupled with the \$5,000 from the Loleta D. Fyan Grant to get our ideas off the ground.

Adding up the grants from these two, we will equal up to \$355,000 altogether and I think this would be perfect in starting whatever programs we need for youth and teens in the Oconee system. And we can increase their manuscript and artifact accessibility through digital means as well. I look forward to speaking with all of you about this!

Thank-you for your attention.